

## AT THE CAPITOL.

## THE TEXT OF THE TWO ALCOHOL BILLS.

## A Pointed Discussion on the Merits Thereof.

## Detailed Statement of the Moneys in the Treasury, Etc., Etc.

THURSDAY, Sept. 14th.

The councils convened at 1:35 P.M. There were present Vice-President Hatch, Ministers King, Damon and Smith, and Councilmen Ena, Bolte, Waterhouse, Mendonca, Emmelhuth, Suhr, Young, Tenney and Allen.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Minister Damon read the following weekly financial statement:

## FINANCE STATEMENT FOR WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 13, 1893.

Current Account Balance September 6, 1893, \$123,031 41

## RECEIPTS.

Interior Department.....\$ 1,855 00  
Customs.....5,380 00  
Fines, Penalties and Costs.....2,173 85  
Revenue Stamps.....376 35  
Water.....300 00  
Brands.....128 00  
Government Realizations.....35 00  
Taxes.....3,368 74  
Hilo Water Receipts.....54 25  
Hawaiian Postal Savings Bank.....2,809 40  
Total.....\$ 22,478 59

Grand total.....\$145,510 00

## EXPENDITURES.

Judiciary Department.....2,049 40  
Interior Department—  
Bureau of Public Works.....413 75  
Board of Health.....5 25  
Kapiolani Park.....2,000 00  
Insane Asylum.....409 50  
Printing.....208 75  
Miscellaneous.....2,613 25  
Finance Department—  
Interest.....1,052 50  
General Expenses Provisional Government.....2,809 40  
Road Tax—To Special Deposit.....3,424 00  
School Tax—To Special Deposit.....3,618 00  
Treasury Note.....1,000 00  
Total Treasury Balance, above date.....\$ 16,985 55

128,524 45

Outstanding Bonds.....\$2,617,900 00

Due Postal Savings Bank.....538,004 29

Treasury and P. M. G. Notes.....229,000 00

\$3,384,904 29

Net Indebtedness.....\$3,384,904 29

## EXPLANATORY.

(This amount of \$155,955.41 was paid from General Revenue in the Treasury to carry on public improvements under Section 2 to date, and all receipts from sale of bonds under loan act of 1893 pass into General Cash as off-sets until this debt is cancelled).....\$ 155,955 41

Less bonds Act of 1893 sold to date.....184,000 00

\$ 21,955 41

Amount due from P. S. Bank for advances from general revenue to cover excess of withdrawals over receipts.....3,114 37

Amount due Treasury this date from Loan Act.....25,069 78

Postal Savings bank memo.: Due depositors, P. S. bank this date.....\$ 538,004 29

Notices this date of withdrawals maturing in September, October, November and December, 1893.....29,996 00

Cash on hand this date.....24,441 21

Expenses, Prov. Govt. memo.: Exps. Prov. Govt. to date.....\$ 129,495 80

(This amount covers all expenses, including military and items not appropriated by the last Legislature.)

Memo., cash in Treasury: Outstanding Certificates, \$284,000.00.

Certificates withdrawn from circulation and deposited for safe keeping \$28,000.00.

Cash in Treasury to redeem certificates, \$284,000.00.

Road Board fund in Treasury.....50,126 24

School Board fund in Treasury.....47,618 61

Postal Savings bank balance.....24,441 21

Available cash, as above.....\$ 250,710 51

Finance Department, Sept. 13, 1893.

The minister said he had asked Mr. George Ashley to assist him in

the duties of the office, and from time to time he had counted the cash in the treasury to see that the actual cash was there as representing special deposits. This method of counting the cash had shown that there was a deficiency of \$216 which had proved to be a road board draft not cashed. The department had put its detail work in good shape. The books are now posted daily, as previously announced, and a trial balance is taken at the end of every month. He wished to say that the finance department had all its books and trial balances in the best of order, and it would be his aim to keep them so. He had requested the collector-general of customs to report on regulations and charges made in that department, asking that no changes be made until the executive had been consulted with. He thought the government should be as accommodating as possible, and that the charges should be as low as possible to accommodate the public. One meeting had been already held relating to the matter, and the executive expected to be soon able to submit the readjusted rules and regulations to the councils. It was their desire to let the public know that the business of the various bureaus of the finance department were at all points being conducted solely in the public interest. The following was the result of the compilations made by Mr. Ashley on the items mentioned:

## CASH IN TREASURY.

Drafts.....\$ 763 67  
Certificates.....21,770 00  
Gold.....103,845 00  
Silver.....1,742 30  
Memo.....221 96  
Old coin.....182 35

\$ 128,525 08

## CASH IN VAULT NO. 1.

Silver.....\$ 214,000 00  
Certificates.....28,000 00  
Gold.....70,000 00

\$ 312,000 00

## CERTIFICATE SPECIAL DEPOSIT.

Road and School Fund—  
Silver, in vault.....\$41,500 00  
Silver, in safe.....4,654 85

Certificates.....\$46,154 85

51,590 00

Total.....\$ 97,744 85

Post Office—  
Term deposit, in safe.....\$10,000 00  
Special deposit, in safe.....7,000 00

Total.....\$17,000 00

W. G. ASHLEY,  
September 13, 1893.

On motion of Mr. Waterhouse the report was adopted and placed on file.

Mr. Bolte from the military committee read the following report which was accepted:

HONOLULU, Sept. 14, 1893.

His Excellency, FRANCIS M. HATCH, Vice-President of the government of the Hawaiian Islands, Honolulu.

SIR: The undersigned committee to whom was referred on the 7th inst. the following resolution:

Resolved, that the members of Company A, now in active service at the court house, be mustered into a new company to be known as Company F, beg to report that they recommend that the above resolution be passed.

Yours Respectfully,  
Military Committee,  
C. BOLTE.  
ALEX. YOUNG.

## RESOLUTION.

Resolved, that the members of Company A, now in active service at the court house, be mustered into a new company to be known as Company F.

Mr. Waterhouse said he wished to ask the executive regarding the water supply. Were they thinking of sinking an artesian well, or could not some other source of supply be drawn upon. The supply at present was so short that houses could not draw the necessary daily supply. The matter was an important one upon which the public desired to be informed.

Minister King explained that the interior department was making arrangements to meet the deficiency as rapidly as possible. The trouble was the mains were too small to allow of being pumped into directly; were they eight or ten inches in size this could be done.

Mr. Waterhouse said that the fact the pipes were empty a large portion of the time, he thought, would allow of pumping into them. People were without water and something should be done.

Vice-President Hatch read the following requisition from Colonel Soper which was referred to the military committee:

HEADQUARTERS OF THE VOLUNTEER FORCES OF THE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT OF THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS.

HONOLULU, Sept. 9, 1893.

FRANCIS M. HATCH, Vice-President, Provisional Government of Hawaii:

SIR—I beg to report that the following supplies are required for the N. G. H.:

250 leather bayonet scabbards, about.....\$175 00

150 fatigue caps, about.....165 00

75 pair of shoes, at \$2.50 a pair.....187 50

15 pcs. white duck for white uniforms.....150 00

1 type-writing machine.....105 00

And recommend that appropriations be made for the purchase of the same.

I have the honor to be, sir, Your obedient servant,

JNO. H. SOPER,  
Col. Com'd'g N. G. H.

Under unfinished business, the secretary read a second time an act to amend chapter 61, laws of 1892, relating to internal taxes.

Vice-President Hatch said the necessary quorum to pass a bill was not present.

Mr. Waterhouse moved a recess of five minutes. Carried.

On the arrival of Mr. Emmelhuth a few moments later, the bill was passed.

Second reading of an act to appropriate \$289.05 to pay the claims for court costs of 120 Japanese at Keka-ha, Kauai. Passed second reading.

The first reading of the alcohol act was brought up. Under the motion of the last meeting, the following bill, introduced by the finance department, was read:

AN ACT to amend Chapter XC. of the Session Laws of 1892, entitled "An Act to provide for the Importation and Sale of Methylated Spirits for Mechanical and Scientific Purposes, and of Alcohol for Medical Purposes," approved the 11th day of January, 1893.

Be it enacted by the Executive and Advisory Councils of the Provisional Government of the Hawaiian Islands:

SECTION 1. Section 5 of Chapter XC. of the Session Laws of 1892 is hereby amended by striking out the words "one dollar per gallon duty" at the end of the section, and inserting in place thereof the words "alcoholic duty in proportion to its strength," so that the said section as amended shall read as follows, to wit:

"The collector-general of customs is hereby authorized to permit the holders of licenses herein provided to withdraw alcohol from the custom house upon payment of alcoholic duty in proportion to its strength."

SEC. 2. The provisions of this act shall extend and apply to all goods in bond at the time it shall come into effect.

SEC. 3. All acts or parts of Acts not in conformity herewith are hereby repealed.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect from the date of its publication.

The secretary then read the bill introduced by the judiciary committee.

The bill was considered section by section.

An amendment was made to section five inserting the word "alcohol" before the word "licenses."

Mr. Allen moved an amendment to section 6 to allow licensed physicians the privilege of buying a gallon of alcohol at one time.

Mr. Emmelhuth said he noticed the minister of finance had seconded Mr. Allen's motion; he wished to know if the minister of finance intended to abandon his bill.

Minister Damon said he had withdrawn his bill because he considered the investigation of the committee had warranted the bill they had recommended.

Mr. Emmelhuth said he was surprised to hear this statement from the minister of finance. As far as he was concerned he was against the bill. He cited the Maine law as it had failed to work in Lewiston, and was confident the result would be the same here if the bill was passed. He knew of a case which had recently taken place in Honolulu, within fifty feet of the corner of Hotel and Nuuanu streets, where a barrel of brandy had been concealed out of a portion of alcohol and a barrel of water, which it would be hard to tell from the genuine article.

The amendment carried.

Attorney-General Smith moved an amendment that the returns relative to sales and withdrawals should be made under oath. Carried.

In moving the amendment he wished to explain that in the matter of the committee's bill he had doubts but had deferred to the opinions of those who had investigated the matter and drawn the bill.

Minister Damon in explanation of the withdrawal of his bill said that he had introduced his act as a radical one to cure the abuses practiced. He considered it was two steps in advance of the old law. He had discovered his law would meet with strong opposition, and as the new bill introduced from the committee was a step at least in advance of the old law he had withdrawn his bill as he was in favor of getting one step of improvement if he would not be got.

Mr. Emmelhuth did not think the bill was a step in advance. He did not believe it would be carried out. The devil would get around it somehow. He held the bill was a vicious one at best. The old bill had been introduced as a revenue measure; the new bill would not meet this end. He also cited that the bill would work hardship to the druggists, the perfumers and the consuming public.

Mr. Ena pointed out there was a loophole in the bill which would allow a person to buy an unlimited quantity of "half-pints" of alcohol.

Mr. Smith admitted there was a loophole in the bill, but thought the present one was better.

Section was amended and passed.

Mr. Emmelhuth said he would be edified to know what section 8 meant.

Mr. Allen explained what he and the committee had understood it to mean.

Mr. Damon held that perfumery was a luxury and that a high tax should be imposed.

Mr. Emmelhuth said that if the bill was passed it would have bad effects he was surprised that the minister of finance had endorsed the new bill.

Mr. Ena moved that section 8 be stricken out.

Mr. Emmelhuth seconded the motion.

Mr. Smith pointed out the main idea which the bill intended to cover.

Upon Mr. Smith's explanation Mr. Ena withdrew his motion.

Mr. Allen explained the abuses which had been practiced in Hawaii previously to the arrival of Mr. Emmelhuth.

Mr. Smith said the present bill was an improvement on the old law, and hoped that the newspapers would publish both bills as presented.

Mr. Waterhouse moved that the

bill presented by the minister of finance pass first reading.

Mr. Young asked if anything would happen if both bills failed to pass.

Minister Damon explained that, under the old law, grave abuses were capable of being practiced which the new bills hoped to do away with.

Mr. Emmelhuth said that he wished to distinctly state that when the time came when he had to sacrifice his convictions to a policy and outside pressure, he would resign as a member of the advisory council.

Mr. Smith again hoped that the two bills would be published and pointed out the importance of the public being informed on the present proposed legislation before the councils passed thereon. He moved that the new bill presented by the judiciary committee pass first reading as amended.

Mr. Emmelhuth said that Mr. Smith's point was not well taken.

Mr. Smith explained the views of the liquor dealers, the druggists and the physicians on the question.

The following is the act reported from committee as amended and passed first reading:

ACT.—An Act to provide for the importation and sale of alcohol for certain purposes and of methylated spirits.

Be it enacted by the executive and advisory councils of the Provisional Government of the Hawaiian Islands:

SECTION 1. Wherever in this act the words "methylated spirits" are used, they shall mean ethylic alcohol to which has been added at least one-ninth its bulk of pyroxylic spirits. Wherever in this act the word "alcohol" is used, it shall mean the ordinary alcohol of commerce known as ethylic alcohol.

SEC. 2. The holder of any retail license is hereby authorized to sell methylated spirits, and the collector-general of customs is hereby authorized to permit the holders of such retail licenses to withdraw methylated spirits from the custom-house upon the payment of a duty of one dollar per gallon. Before allowing such methylated spirits to be withdrawn from the custom-house, the collector-general shall be satisfied that the said methylated spirits contains at least one-ninth of its bulk of pyroxylic spirit.

SEC. 3. The minister of the interior is hereby authorized to grant licenses to such licensed druggists as he in his discretion may deem fit and proper for the sale of alcohol. The fee for such licenses shall be the sum of fifty dollars for each year, and the licenses shall be for the term of one year from the date of issue.

SEC. 4. Before granting any license, a good and sufficient bond to the minister of the interior in the sum of one thousand dollars secured in not less than double the amount of the penalty shall be required. The condition of the bond shall be, that the holder of such license shall sell no alcohol except in the manner as provided in this act. The said minister of the interior is likewise authorized to require any other condition of security to insure the due observance of this act, and is specifically authorized to make and provide rules and regulations controlling the sale of alcohol under this act, not inconsistent with the law.

SEC. 5. The collector-general of customs is hereby authorized to permit the holders of alcohol licenses herein provided to withdraw alcohol from the custom-house upon the payment of one dollar per gallon duty.

SEC. 6. The holders of licenses for the sale of alcohol under this act are hereby prohibited from selling alcohol in greater quantity than one-half pint at any one sale, except upon the written prescription of a duly licensed physician, which prescription shall state that the alcohol is required for medical purposes, and no greater quantity than one-half gallon shall be sold to any one person presenting such prescription, except to licensed physicians, to whom one gallon may be sold at one time. It shall be incumbent upon any holder of a license under this act to number and preserve such prescriptions, and to keep a book in which he shall write or cause to be written down the quantity of alcohol sold at each sale made under this act, the date of such sale, the name of the person to whom such alcohol was sold, and if sold upon prescription the name of the licensed physician giving the same. It shall also be the duty of such licensee to make return under oath upon the first day of each month to the minister of the interior, showing in addition to the matters to be recorded in a book as aforesaid, the amount of alcohol withdrawn from the custom house by such licensee since making his last return, together with the amount of alcohol on hand at the time of making such returns. Such returns shall be open to public inspection, and such book and prescription shall be open to inspection by any clerk of the government whom the minister of the interior may appoint to perform such inspection.

SEC. 7. Any person who shall be convicted of selling alcohol without a license to sell the same, or any holder of a license who shall be convicted of selling alcohol contrary to the provisions of this act, shall be fined not less than one hundred nor more than two hundred and fifty dollars. If any person holding a license under this act shall violate or fail to comply with the provisions in this act or in his license contained, or if the rules and regulations made by the minister of the interior under provision of section 4 of this act, the license shall be forfeited and the penalty of the bond shall at once become due.

SEC. 8. The use or sale of alcohol withdrawn from the custom house under this act for the manufacture of perfumery, cologne, Florida water, bay rum or perfumed waters of any description, or as a beverage, is hereby prohibited, and any person violating the provisions of this section shall be liable to a fine of not more than one hundred dollars, and if such violator shall be a licensee under this act, such licensee shall, in addition to the penalty aforesaid, forfeit his license, and the penalty of the bond of such licensee shall at once become due.

SEC. 9. Jurisdiction to hear and determine all cases arising under this act is hereby conferred on district magistrates, subject to the right of appeal.

SEC. 10. All laws and parts of laws

in contravention herewith are hereby repealed, and especially chapter XC. of the session laws of 1892, approved the 11th day of January, A. D. 1893, and all laws thereby repealed.

SEC. 11. This act shall take effect from the date of its publication.

The councils adjourned at 3:05 P. M.

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